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Examiner: J. Edell

## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of September 13, 2001. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire December 13, 2001. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time and requisite fee are submitted herewith extending the period for response to January 13, 2002. It is noted that January 13, 2002, was a Sunday; and therefor, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.7, the period for response is extended to January 14, 2002.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above captioned application as follows: